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REMARKS

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1. Between 14 May and 4 June 1954, there was air activity at Grossenhain airfield. The aircraft made individual flights of which the training purpose could not be determined, and flights in formations of two, three and four, sometimes at high altitudes. Occasionally, take-offs were made by elements of two at an interval of about 10 meters. These flights indicate that the pilots had reached a good status of

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2. A small two-story building of an undetermined utilization was under construction in the southeastern extension of the runway close to the fence.
3. On 4 June, the Token-type radar set was still located between the railroad line and the road to Priestewitz. The set was guarded by two air force sentries escorted by a dog. Poles for a fence were placed around the set. Approximately north of the set was a mast, 10 to 12 meters high, with a horizontal rod at the top. A thick cable extended from this mast to the Token-type set.

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5. On 19 May, there was intensive air activity by MiG-15s and U-MiG-15s at the field. Three MiG-15s made high-altitude flights at about 8,000 meters. Nine MiG-15s and U-MiG-15s were parked on the landing field. A Token-type radar set was in operation between the road and railroad line to Priestewitz south of Grossenhain. At the same time, two air force soldiers were observed near a radio truck with antenna parked on the road.

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Comment. Grossenhain airfield is still occupied by a division headquarters and two fighter regiments. The exact number of aircraft at the field could not be determined because of the numerous hangars available there. The new location of the Token-type radar set was previously reported

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